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In re application of: MÉNARD, Francois

Attorney Docket No.: GGD-101

Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD TO USE A
CONVENTIONAL TELEPHONE SET TO MAKE
TELEPHONE CALLS ON A PACKET NETWORK

Serial No.: 09/154,431

Art Unit: 2743

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 relate to the subject matter of the present invention and are brought to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §1.98.

The applicant has enclosed a copy of each reference cited herein. Along with the enclosed references, also enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report PCT/CA 98/00879 for the Examiner's convenience. The English language version copy of this report is submitted to satisfy 37 CFR § 1.98 (a) (3), which requires a concise explanation of the relevance of each patent and publication that is not in the English language. MPEP § 609 (3). The dates of publication of the listed foreign patents are included in the attached form PTO-1449.

The references are:

1. References cited in the International search report of PCT/CA 98/00879:

- US 5,654,957
- WO 98/11704
- FR 2,753.862
- WO 97/07625
- WO 95/25407
- US 5,661,785.
- 1997 Elsevier Science B.V., Microprocessors and Microsystems 21(1997) 213-221.

While this statement contains all of the relevant information presently known to applicants, it should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no other relevant information exists. Moreover, the applicant invites the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of each cited reference to determine its relevance to the subject matter of the present application.

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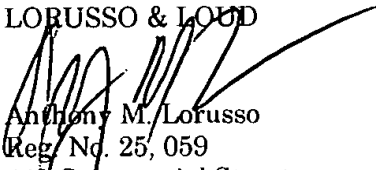
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Finally, the applicant urges that his claims patentably distinguish over all disclosed relevant information or any other combination thereof.

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